

# Government of the District of Columbia

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### **Re: Notification for the Installation of the Irving and Kenyon St Protected Bike Lane Notice # 20-55-PSD**

Dear Chairpersons,

Pursuant to the “Administrative Procedure Amendment Act of 2000” D.C. LAW 13-249 (48 DCR 3491 April 20, 2001), the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) is required to give a written notice of our intent to modify traffic and /or parking requirements. This letter is being forwarded to you for the purpose of notification and solicitation of comments on our intent to implement the following in your jurisdiction.

DDOT proposes to:

- Install a median running two-way Protected Bike Lane along Irving Street from Michigan Avenue NE to Hobart Place NW (see Exhibit 1 below).
- Install a curb-side running two-way Protected Bike Lane along Kenyon Street from Hobart Place and Warder Street NW
- Install a multi-use side path on the north side of Michigan Avenue between Irving Street NE and Harewood Road NE.
- Install a new traffic signal at the right turn spur from Michigan Ave NE onto Irving Street NE.
- Install a new traffic signal at Irving Street NW and Hobart Place NW.
- Eliminate parking on the south side of the 400 block of Kenyon St NW to install a two-way cycle track.
- Rush-hour restrict the parking on the north side of the 400 block of Kenyon St NW in both the AM (7 to 9:30) and PM (4 to 6:30) hours to provide two travel lanes during the peak travel periods.

- Eliminate 5 parking spaces on the north side of the 500 block of Kenyon Street NW to provide a merge area of westbound traffic crossing Park Place during off-peak hours.
- Eliminate 2 parking spaces on the south side of Kenyon Street NW to provide a merge area for westbound bike traffic crossing Warder Street.

The 2016 Crosstown Multimodal Transportation Study recommended closing a major gap in the bike network by building a safe east and westbound bikeway along the Irving Street/Kenyon Street corridor. In 2017, DDOT initiated a project to conduct safety, traffic, parking analysis, and public outreach to determine the alignment for this bikeway. This plan was developed with extensive public and interagency input, including a public open house and pop-up event that demonstrated the proposed protected bike lane on Kenyon NW. ANC commissioners were invited to (and many attended) the public meeting and pop-up event. A full timeline of outreach events is below:

- Public Open House (June 12, 2018)
- Pop-up Event (September 21, 2018)
- Parkview UNC (November 7, 2018)

We anticipate the following benefits:

- Clear delineation of space for bicycles and cars, allowing each to move predictably and without conflict.
- Creates low-stress east-west connection for bicycles, filling in a gap in the District's bicycle lane network.
- Improved pedestrian safety at the newly signalized pedestrian (and bike) crossings at Irving Street and Michigan Avenue, and Irving Street and Hobart Place.

All Comments on this subject matter must be filed in writing, not later than Wednesday, April 23, 2020, thirty (30) business days after the date of this notice, with the District Department of Transportation Planning and Sustainability Division, 55 M Street, SE, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Washington, DC, 20003 or via email at [aaron.goldbeck@dc.gov](mailto:aaron.goldbeck@dc.gov). If you would like to check the status of this Notice of Intent (NOI), please visit DDOT's website at <http://ddot.dc.gov/service/ddot-notice-intent>. In addition, if you have questions, have trouble accessing the NOI site or are unable to do so, please contact me at 202-671-5111.

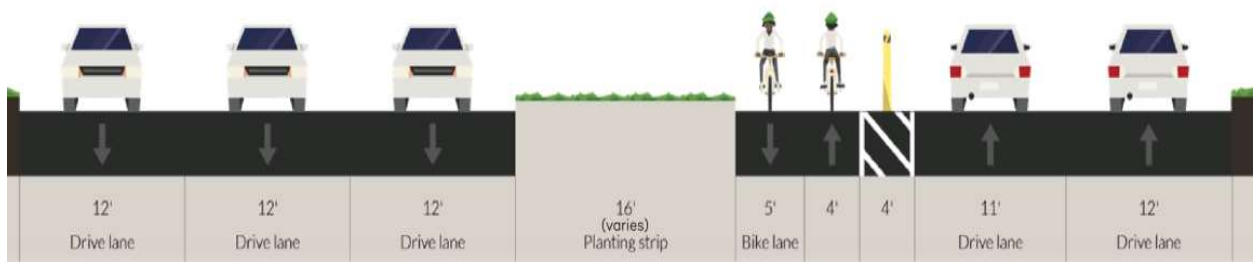
Sincerely,



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**Exhibit 1: Proposed Cross Section**